UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT District of Maine

DANIEL DONATELLI,)		
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Plaintiff)		
)		
v.)	Civil No.	04-01-P-S
)		
UNUMPROVIDENT CORPORATION,	et al.)		
)		
Defendants			

ORDER AFFIRMING THE RECOMMENDED DECISION OF THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The United States Magistrate Judge filed with the Court on December 22, 2004 her Recommended Decision (Docket #114). The Defendant filed its objection to the Recommended Decision on January 21, 2005 (Docket #123) and Plaintiff filed his objection to the Recommended Decision on January 21, 2005 (Docket #125). Defendant filed its response to objection on February 7, 2005 (Docket No. 127) and Plaintiff filed his response to objection on February 7, 2005 (Docket No. 128).

I have reviewed and considered the Magistrate Judge's Recommended Decision, together with the entire record; I have made a <u>de novo</u> determination of all matters adjudicated by the Magistrate Judge's Recommended Decision; and I concur with the recommendations of the United States Magistrate Judge for the reasons set forth in her Recommended Decision, and determine that no further proceeding is necessary.

- 1. It is therefore <u>ORDERED</u> that the Recommended Decision of the Magistrate Judge is hereby AFFIRMED.
- 2. Plaintiff Donatelli's Motion to Strike (Docket No. 87) is <u>GRANTED IN PART</u>. Plaintiff Donatelli's Motion for Hearing or Leave to File Sur-Reply (Docket No. 111) is <u>DENIED</u>. Defendant UnumProvident's Motion for Summary Judgment (Docket No. 68) is DENIED.

/s/ George Z. Singal Chief U.S. District Judge

Dated this 17th day of February, 2005.

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